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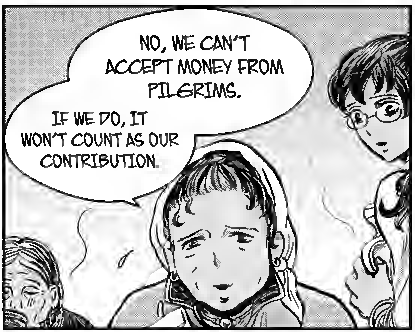

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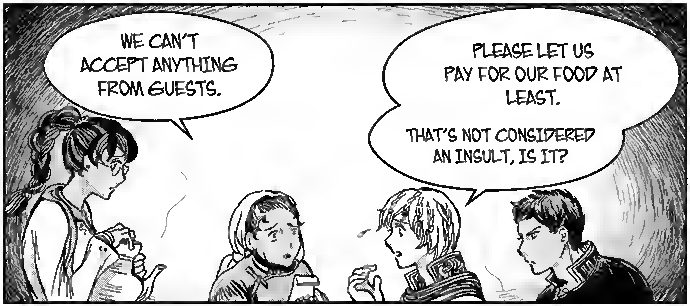
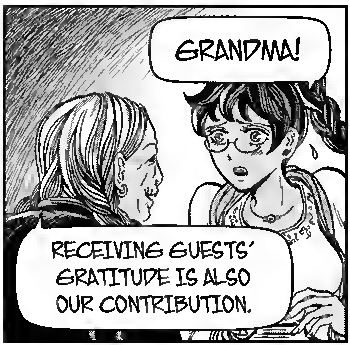
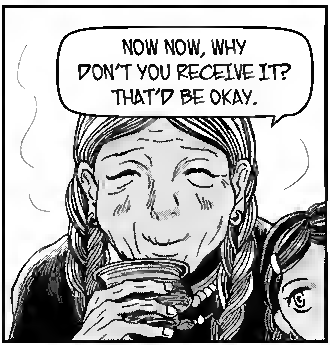
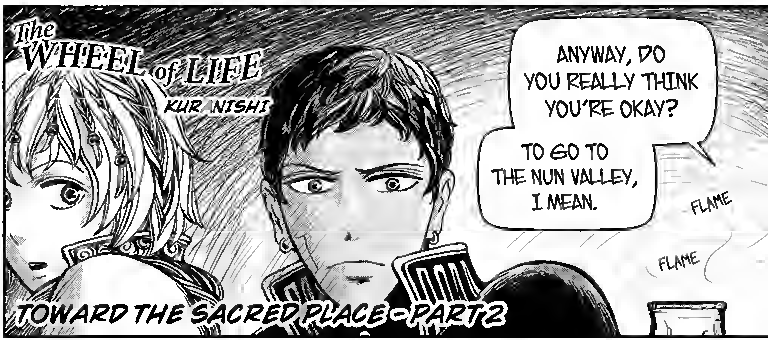
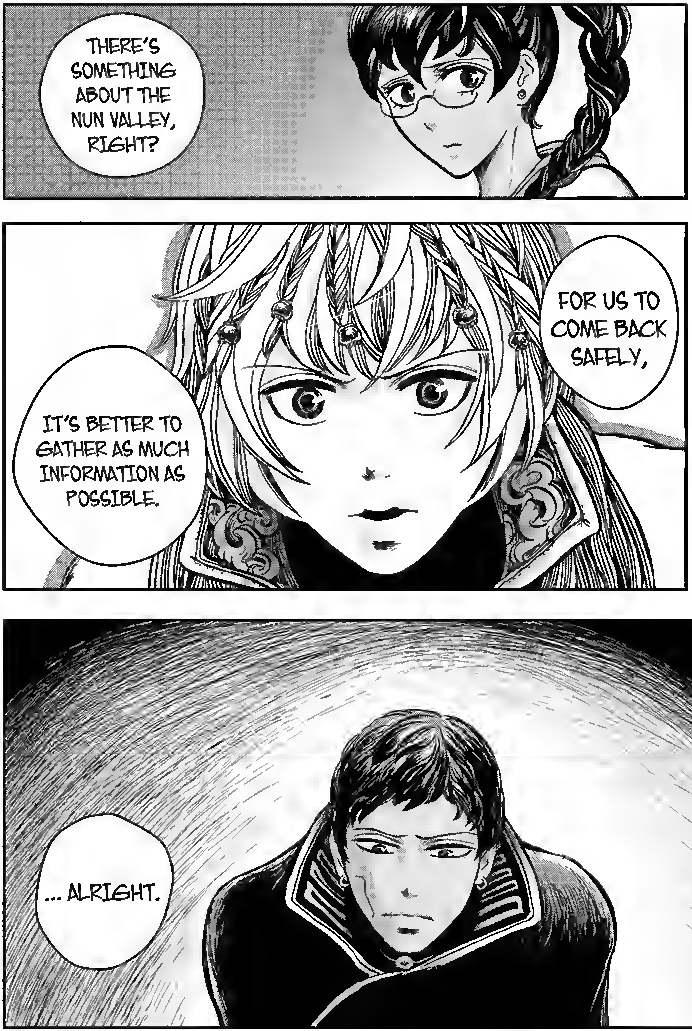

WE CAN'T ACCEPT ANYTHING FROM GUESTS.
PLEASE LET US PAY FOR OUR FOOD AT LEAST.
THAT'S NOT CONSIDERED AN INSULT, IS IT?


GRANDMA!
RECEIVING GUESTS' GRATITUDE IS ALSO OUR CONTRIBUTION.

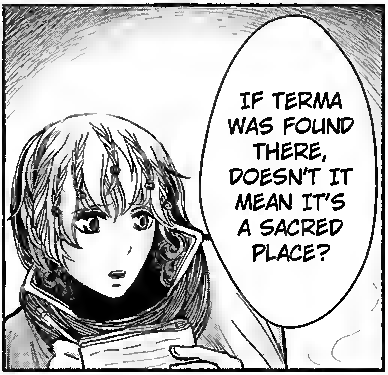

NOW NOW, WHY DON'T YOU RECEIVE IT? THAT'D BE OKAY.

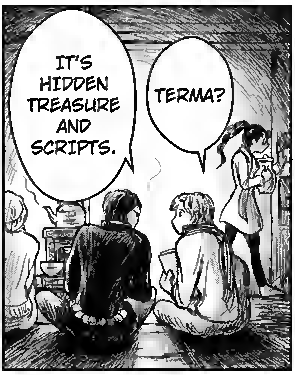

The WHEEL of LIFE
KUR NISHI
ANYWAY, DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU'RE OKAY?
TO GO TO THE NUN VALLEY, I MEAN.
FLAME
FLAME
TOWARD THE SACRED PLACE - PART 2

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
I'M SO CONCERNED ABOUT YOU ALL.
... IT'S ABOUT US GOING TO THE NUN VALLEY. HEY, IT'S TIME FOR BED.
HUH?
I WANNA KNOW. INTERPRET FOR ME, PLEASE.
WE'LL JUST GO THERE AND COME BACK. WE DON'T HAVE TO KNOW MUCH ABOUT IT.


THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THE NUN VALLEY, RIGHT?
FOR US TO COME BACK SAFELY,
IT'S BETTER TO GATHER AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE.
... ALRIGHT.

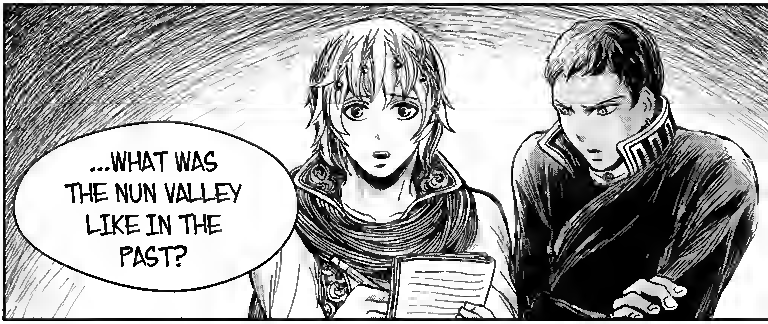
...MISFORTUNES HAVE KEPT HAPPENING SINCE THE PRECIOUS TERMA WAS GONE.
I'M WORRIED BECAUSE...

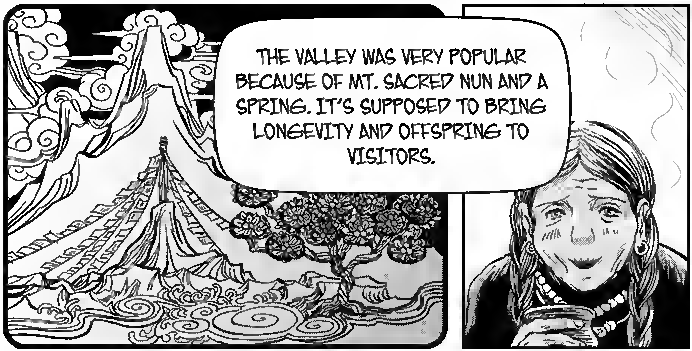

IF TERMA WAS FOUND THERE, DOESN'T IT MEAN IT'S A SACRED PLACE?

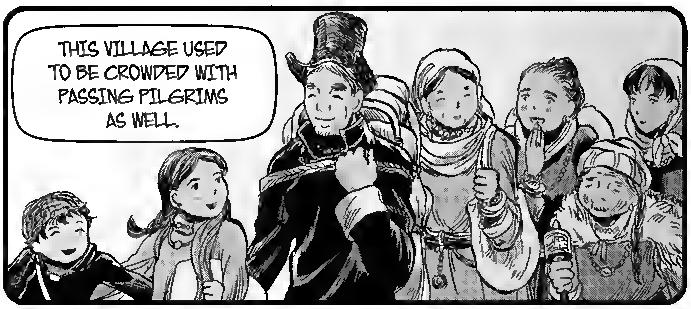

IT'S HIDDEN TREASURE AND SCRIPTS.
TERMA?

THEN...

...I GUESS SO.


...WHAT WAS THE NUN VALLEY LIKE IN THE PAST?


THE VALLEY WAS VERY POPULAR BECAUSE OF MT. SACRED NUN AND A SPRING. IT'S SUPPOSED TO BRING LONGEVITY AND OFFSPRING TO VISITORS.

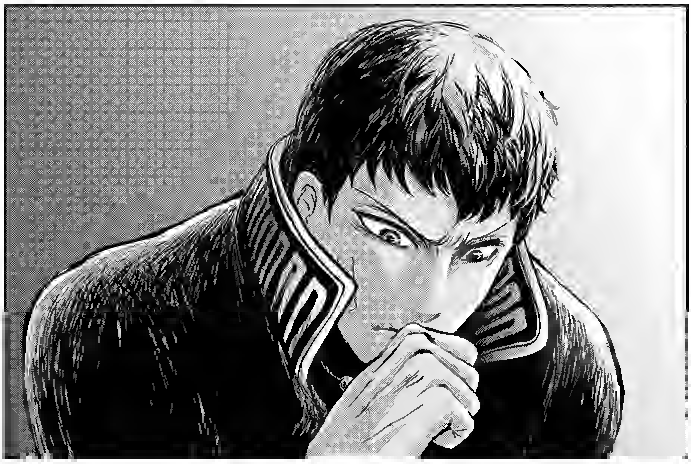

THIS VILLAGE USED TO BE CROWDED WITH PASSING PILGRIMS AS WELL.

IN ADDITION, THE VALLEY HAD A SACRED CAVERN. YOUR PILGRIMAGE IS SAID TO BE INCOMPLETE AND HARMFUL IF YOU DON'T VISIT IT.
THE CAVERN IS CONSIDERED SACRED BECAUSE IT WAS WHERE TERMA WAS DISCOVERED AND SAGES HAD ASCETIC PRACTICES LONG LONG TIME AGO.
THEN, WE'LL HAVE TO VISIT THE CAVERN ONCE WE GET TO THE VALLEY.
PROBABLY.
BUT NO ONE CAN GO THERE NOW.
HUH?

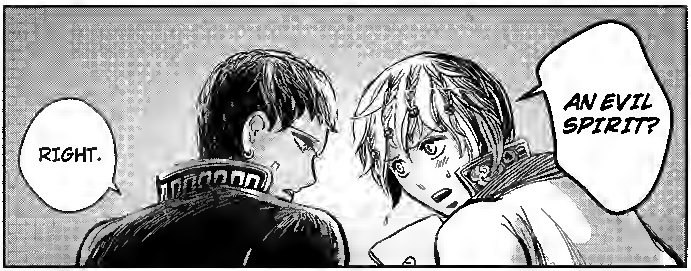
NO ONE KNOWS EXACTLY WHERE IT IS.
HOW COME?
IS IT THAT DIFFICULT TO GET TO?
EVEN SO, NOBODY KNOWS WHERE IT IS NOW.
BUT MANY PEOPLE USED TO VISIT IT.
NOW I REMEMBER THE PROFESSOR SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT, TOO.

THERE ARE MANY COVES IN THE HEART OF THE NUN VALLEY. THE PATH IS COMPLICATED AND YOU CAN EASILY GET LOST.
THE GUARD WHO KNEW THE LOCATION OF THE SACRED PLACE IS GONE.
NO ONE CAN GO THERE ANY MORE.

AH...
WHY WAS THE GUARD GONE?

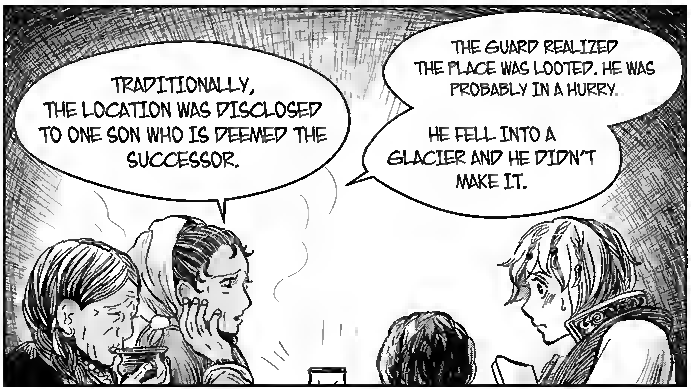


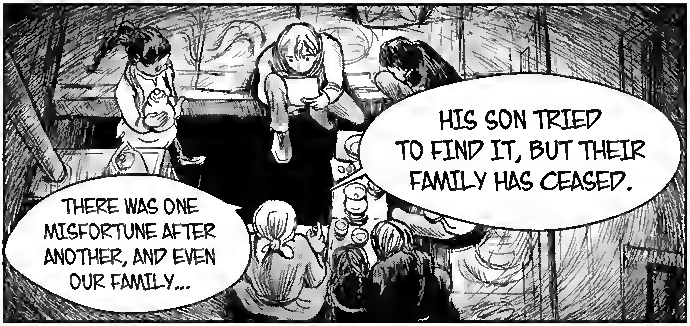
AN EVIL SPIRIT LOOTED THE VALLEY. IT WAS A MAJOR INCIDENT THAT EVERYONE TALKED ABOUT HERE AT THAT TIME.
SONAM?
HUH? OH...

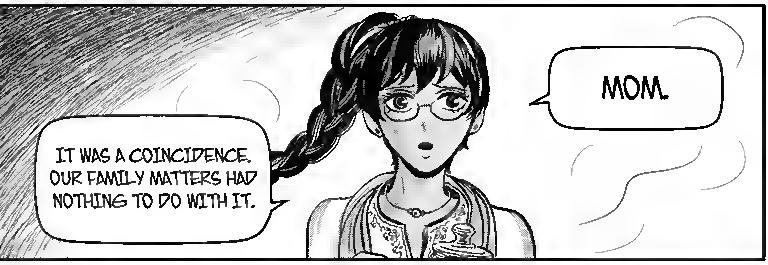

RIGHT.
AN EVIL SPIRIT?

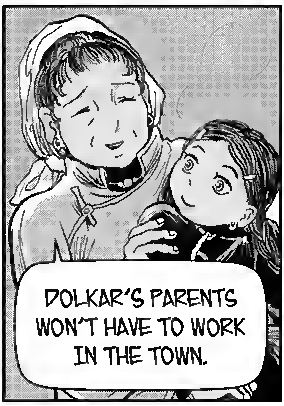
IN THIS MODERN AGE? SERIOUSLY?

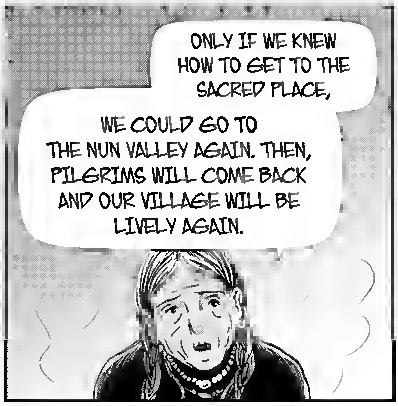
PEOPLE SAY THERE'S SOMETHING PARTICULAR ABOUT THE SACRED PLACE AND EVEN AN EVIL SPIRIT APPEARS.


TRADITIONALLY, THE LOCATION WAS DISCLOSED TO ONE SON WHO IS DEEMED THE SUCCESSOR.
THE GUARD REALIZED THE PLACE WAS LOOTED. HE WAS PROBABLY IN A HURRY.
HE FELL INTO A GLACIER AND HE DIDN'T MAKE IT.

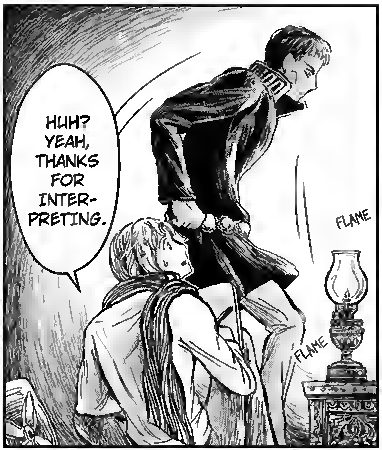

THERE WAS ONE MISFORTUNE AFTER ANOTHER, AND EVEN OUR FAMILY...
HIS SON TRIED TO FIND IT, BUT THEIR FAMILY HAS CEASED.


IT WAS A COINCIDENCE. OUR FAMILY MATTERS HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH IT.
MOM.


DOLKAR'S PARENTS WON'T HAVE TO WORK IN THE TOWN.


ONLY IF WE KNEW HOW TO GET TO THE SACRED PLACE,
WE COULD GO TO THE NUN VALLEY AGAIN. THEN, PILGRIMS WILL COME BACK AND OUR VILLAGE WILL BE LIVELY AGAIN.

WILL IT BE SAFE FOR US TO GO THERE?
THIS SACRED PLACE IS HAUNTED BY AN EVIL SPIRIT AND IF WE DON'T VISIT IT WE'LL BE HAUNTED...
WOW, THE NUN VALLEY HAS QUITE A STORY BEHIND IT.
...
FLAME
FLAME


HUH? YEAH, THANKS FOR INTER-PRETING.
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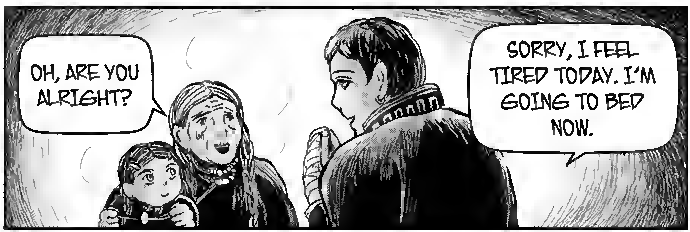
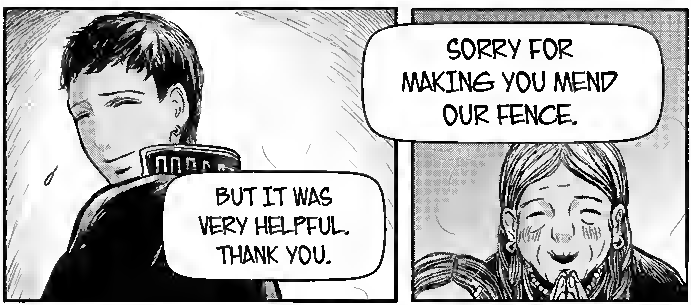
THAT'S ALL ABOUT THE VALLEY. CAN I GO NOW?


OH, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
SORRY, I FEEL TIRED TODAY. I'M GOING TO BED NOW.


BUT IT WAS VERY HELPFUL. THANK YOU.
SORRY FOR MAKING YOU MEND OUR FENCE.

SONAM'S UNEXPECTED SIDE WILL BE REVEALED.